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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s):

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PROCESSING A CHECK WITHIN A FINANCIAL SYSTEM

Assignee Name:

International Business Machines Corporation

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Armonk, New York

Enclosed are also:

 $\underline{X}$  29 Pages of Specification including an Abstract

 $\underline{X}$  5 Pages of Claims (Claims 1 - 24)

 $\underline{X}$  12 Sheet(s) of Drawings

A Declaration and Power of Attorney

X Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation

## **CLAIMS AS FILED**

FOR	Number Filed		Number Extra		Rate		Basic Fee (\$710)
Total Claims	24	-20 =	4	X	\$ 18	=	\$72
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Multiple Dependent Claims	0			X	\$270	=	\$0
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